

**Andrew Jackson to Mary Dunlap, October 13, 1831,
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TO MRS. MARY DUNLAP.1

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Washington, October 13, 1831.

Genl. A. Jackson, an early acquaintance and friend of Miss Polly Crawford, now Mrs. Dunlap, presents his compliments to, and informs her that it is, with great pleasure he learns, through Col. Williams, that she still lives in the enjoyment of good health and happiness. As a memento of his undeviating friendship for Mrs. D, he presents for her acceptance a much valued snuff Box, which was made and presented to the Genl., by a gallant tar, as an evidence of gratitude for the efficient defence of "Beauty and Booty" before New Orleans on the 8th of January 1815. The General sincerely regrets to learn that all of Mrs. Dunlaps brothers have passed to that bourne from whence no traveller returns, and begs leave to assure her that the length of time, the nights of toil, watchfulness the imminent danger, and Serious privations and vicisitudes through which he has passed have not banished from his mind the endearing recollection of the pleasure he enjoyed in his boyhood in the agreeable society of herself and her family.

It will always afford him pleasure to recur to those days of his Youth which he spent in the society of her family. The Genl., learning from Colo. Williams that Mrs. Dunlap has a son, begs leave to present, through her, to him a pamphlet and newspaper from which he can discover the true character of some of the ambitious and unprincipled demagogues of the present day, and that those feelings of chivalry which distinguished men of high rank in

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former days seem to have become extinct in the bosom of some of the late dignitaries of the present age. The General desires to be kindly presented to the family of Mrs. D, and must be permitted to tender her the expression of the great respect and esteem which he will always cherish for her.